ABSTRACT

A compound represented by the following general formula (1):

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^{1}O \\
H \\
O
\end{array}$$
(1)

wherein R^1 represents a hydrogen atom or a C2 to C4 alkanoyl group and R^2 represents a group represented by the following formula (A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), or (G):

wherein R³ represents a C1 to C4 alkyl group

can inhibit macrophage activation. Accordingly, a macrophage activation inhibitor containing a compound represented by the general formula (1) or its pharmacologically acceptable salt as an active ingredient is useful as an agent for preventing, improving, or treating a disease resulting from infection with pathogens such as a bacterium and a virus.